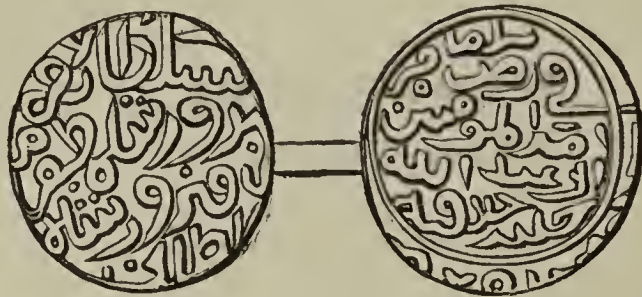


*Note on a gold coin bearing the name of Prince Fírúz Sháh Zafar, son of Fírúz Sháh of Dihlí.*

In March last Mr. E. C. Bayley favoured the Society with a note regarding a unique coin in the possession of Mrs. Cowie. The coin bears the name of Fírúz Sháh Zafar. A woodcut had just been prepared, when the first copy of Mr. Thomas's 'Chronicles of the Pathan Kings of Dehli' reached this country.



Mr. Thomas (p. 300) enumerates four coins that bear the name of the prince, among them one gold coin, a "unique specimen in the possession of Col. Guthrie," and "one silver coin, a new variety, belonging to Mr. Bayley," &c. They are all posthumous coins, as Zafar died before his father.

The wood-cut shews that the original is identical with Col. Guthrie's specimen, of which, however, the margin has been cut away. The drawing shews pretty clearly the year A. H. 791, which agrees with the third coin described by Mr. Thomas.\*

The weight of the coin could not be determined, as it is attached to a necklace. The legend is—

في زمن الامام امير المؤمنين ابو عبدالله خلدت خلافته	السلطان الاعظم فيروز شاه ظفر بن فيروز شاه السلطاني
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"The great Sultán Fírúz Sháh Zafar, son of Fírúz Sháh, the Royal, † in the time of the Imám, the Commander of the Faithful, 'Abdullah,—may his *Khiláfat* be perpetuated !"

\* During the year 791, Abúbakr, son of Zafar, succeeded to the throne of Dihlí, which accounts perhaps for the issue, or re-issue, of coins with Zafar's name. Muhammadan kings liked to style themselves *ibn i Sultán ibn i Sultán*.

† *Al-Sultání*, adj., the royal. *Sultání*, noun, the King. Mr. Thomas's wood-cut has the article.